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1. WE REPORTED IN REFTEL THE PART OF THE SPC MEETING OF JUNE 27 WHICH RELATED TO THE NEW FRG DATA PROPOSAL.
2. AT THE SAME MEETING, CANADIAN REP (BARTLEMAN), ON INSTRUCTIONS, MADE A FEW POINTS WITH RESPECT TO THE IS DRAFT GUIDANCE. CANADA SUPPORTS THE ORIGINAL IS LANGUAGE IN THE SECOND SENTENCE OF PARA 2 ON DIVISIONAL DATA, SO THAT ALL THE AHG WOULD BE REQUIRED TO DO IS STATE WILLINGNESS TO EXCHANGE DATA AT A LATER STAGE. RE PARA 3 ON AIR MANPOWER, CANADA FAVORS AUTHORIZING AHG TO EXCHANGE AIR AND GROUND DATA SIMULTANEOUSLY IF EAST INSISTS. CANADA SUP-
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PORTS THE NOTE TO THE AHG SIMPLY REFERENCING THE INTERNAL ALLIED POSITION ON NATIONAL REDUCTION COMMITMENTS, AND DOES NOT SUPPORT AUTHORIZING THE AHG TO USE THE INTERNAL POSITION WITH THE EAST. CANADA WAS ALSO WILLING TO AUTHORIZE THE AHG TO REAFFIRM THE ALLIES "COLLECTIVE WILLINGNESS TO REDUCE TO A COMMON CEILING."

3. UK REP (HOLMER) NOTED THAT THE FRG AND UK PROPOSAL FOR BREAKDOWN OF MAJOR UNITS DIFFERED IN HOW CANADIAN FORCES WOULD BE TREATED, AND ASKED IF CANADA HAD AN OPINION. HE ALSO SAID THE UK FAVORS THE US POSITION ON THE HANDLING OF PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS, I.E., THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD MAKE THE DECISION AT SUCH TIME AS USE OF THE INTERNAL ALLIANCE POSITION MAY APPEAR NECESSARY. FINALLY, UK WOULD REVISE THE LAST PARA OF THE IS TEXT (ALSO THE LAST PARA OF THE FRG TEXT) TO READ AS FOLLOWS IN THE INTEREST OF CLARITY: "ONCE A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT ON THE APPROACH TO A DATA EXCHANGE IS REACHED, ALLIED NEGOTIATORS MAY PRESENT THE DATA CONSISTENT WITH THAT APPROACH, EXTRACTING THE APPROPRIATE FIGURES FROM THE RANGE OF ALLIED DATA SET OUT AT ANNEX I (GROUND FORCE MANPOWER) AND ANNEX II (AIR FORCE MANPOWER).

4. THE SMALLER DELEGATIONS DID NOT COMMENT ON THE NEW FRG PROPOSAL AT THE JUNE 27 SPC MEETING EXCEPT FOR ITALIAN REP (CIARRAPICO), WHO THOUGHT HIS AUTHORITIES WOULD LIKE IT, AND BELGIAN REP (CROLLEN) AND NETHERLANDS REP (MEESMAN) WHO SAID THEIR AUTHORITIES WOULD STUDY IT.

5. BELGIAN REP HAS NEVER STATED IN SPC AN INSTRUCTED BELGIAN POSITION ON WHETHER "OTHER PERSONNEL" SHOULD BE BROKEN DOWN BY NATIONALITY. HOWEVER, BELGIAN REP TOLD US AT A LUNCHEON LAST WEEK, IN THE PRESENCE OF FRG, UK, AND
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CANADIAN DELEGATION OFFICERS, THAT BRUSSELS HAD DECIDED THAT SUB-DIVISION OF "OTHER PERSONNEL" BY NATIONALITY WAS THE BEST COURSE, BUT THAT BELGIUM WOULD NOT FORMALLY STATE THIS IN SPC IN ORDER NOT TO ISOLATE THE GERMANS. STREATOR

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